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DIARY NOTES

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6 July 1965

1. At the Executive Committee Meeting this morning:

a. The Director presided.

b. Jack Earman mentioned that an arrangement has been made with the Defense Intelligence Agency providing for their inspectors to contact the Agency prior to an overseas inspection. He also mentioned that the DIA inspectors desire to contact Agency Chiefs of Station.

c. John Bross mentioned that the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board will meet on 8 and 9 July. The Director said that he wanted to be present at both sessions. The Director is scheduled to appear at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, 9 July, and he proposes to speak on the NRO problem if Cyrus Vance raises the NRO issue when he appears before the Board on Thursday, 8 July. The Director also expressed his viewpoints on the NRO agreement, which is still an issue and not too close to resolution.

d. The Director commented that the two clocks in the DCI Conference Room were not synchronized and looked at his watch four times. (I asked George Meloon to insure that these clocks are checked each morning.)

2. Bob Fuchs advised that the confidential funds voucher for the expenditures of the past month still has not been forwarded to Mr. Helms for signature since he wanted Bob to brief him on the background of the voucher. No appointment has been set up, and the voucher should be signed shortly. I told Bob to send me the voucher and that I will forward it to Mr. Helms, advising that he should sign it and that a briefing on the background is ready. If he does not have the time for this briefing, we can postpone it until the next voucher is ready for signature. (I now understand that Mr. Helms sought to set up this briefing on Friday, 2 July, but Bob was absent; it will be set up for sometime this week.)

3. At the DD/S Staff Meeting the White House briefing for Federal summer employees was mentioned. The first meeting is proposed for 20 July at the Sheraton-Park Hotel with a subsequent meeting on the White House

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lawn to meet the President. The Office of Personnel proposes to select eighty-one summer employees to represent the Agency. (A paper to this effect is in process.)

4. The Director has received an invitation from the Office of Public Safety of the Agency for International Development to attend the International Police Academy graduation on Friday, 9 July. [REDACTED] will check with the Counter Intelligence Staff to see whether they wish to nominate someone to attend. Meantime, we will prepare a letter of reply expressing the Director's regrets.

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5. George Meloon was in to discuss the following items:

a. George discussed the selection of his Deputy following his appointment as Director of Logistics. Several names were mentioned, and George will submit some suggested nominations. George mentioned that [REDACTED] is the only individual in the Office of Logistics who by virtue of grade, experience, and time could logically be nominated as the Deputy. I indicated reservations about such an appointment and mentioned that [REDACTED] a grade GS-17, will soon return to DD/S from DD/S&T. I asked George to consider [REDACTED] as his Deputy.

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b. George mentioned that the Office of Logistics will have a serious replacement problem since a number of their senior officers will retire within the next two years. There are no available candidates with the qualifications to fill these vacancies, and the Office of Logistics might have to hire at least three grade GS-13 engineers from outside the Agency. I asked George to prepare a picture of this problem and how he hopes to resolve it.

c. George said that one of their key problems is improving their public relations with the other directorates and that he wants his Deputy to work seriously in this matter.

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7. After the Executive Committee Meeting this morning, Colonel White, the Executive Director-Comptroller, held a meeting to express his views on how he should operate and carry out his responsibilities. He stated that his authority comes from the Director and the Deputy Director and that he does not look at his job as having inherent independent authorities. He proposes to transmit decisions from the Director and Deputy Director to the Agency and, in turn, to present fully staffed facts to them for their decisions. He wants to assist the Deputies to reach their management decisions. He stated that he must operate across the board and must be concerned with substantive information as well as managerial aspects. He asked each individual present to keep him fully informed and proposed to operate informally to the degree possible. He would like to have as much coordination in advance as possible on decision matters affecting all the directorates, and he will seek to accomplish this either by consulting directly with the Deputy Directors or by calling meetings for this purpose. The various representatives present promised full support with particular mention of the timeliness of acting on decisions affecting the Agency as a whole. Mr. FitzGerald asked that the Agency be better protected against specific decisions by the Bureau of the Budget which have a heavy effect on our operations.

8. On Saturday, 3 July, Mr. Helms approved the appointment of Alan Warfield as Assistant Deputy Director for Support and George Meloon as Director of Logistics. There was very little discussion since Mr. Helms said that he knew both men and was delighted with the appointments. He said that he would make the decision on these appointments and would inform the Director. He did so and announced these appointments at the Executive Committee Meeting on 6 July. In turn, I announced these appointments at the DD/S Staff Meeting. Mr. Helms also stated that he felt

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the Office of Logistics is large enough in size and that he expected George Meloon would cut down its size since George has so well exhibited his economy efforts in the past, [REDACTED] Mr. Helms also asked me to take a look at the Office of Personnel since, in his opinion, it has not been run on a fully business-like basis. He felt that from time to time the office makes errors in information and on papers which should not be made by such an office. He cited as an example the fact that the Office of Personnel had informed the Civil Service Commission that he had been granted the Legion of Merit, which is not true. He could not understand why the Office of Personnel made this error. He cited several other papers he has seen where errors had been made and wondered whether they have made more errors since he has seen only a few such memoranda. (I propose to arrange a study of the Office of Personnel within a short period of time.)

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